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KS1 Home Reading Books

Dear Parents,

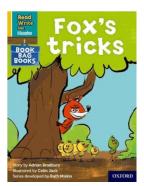
Here is some information regarding home reading books in KS1. Each week your child will bring home their book bag, which will contain their home reading books and their reading record. The children will bring home **three** home reading books. This was explained fully during the parents information zoom and we will be holding a phonics coffee morning later this month where we will go through this again but any questions in the meantime do not hesitate to ask.

The books the children will bring home are as follows:

Book 1: The book they have just completed in their phonics group. This is a 'fluency' book, your child will have already read this book 3 or 4 times in their phonics group so by the time they read it to you they should be reading it fluently (it may even appear easy to them! This is okay if it does!) This book is a paper book so please be extra careful with this!



<u>Book 2:</u> This is a 'Book Bag Book' and looks more like a home reading book. It will go hand in hand with your child's phonics book and phonics learning, it will contain only sounds they know. There are questions at the back of this book you can do with your child.



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Book 3: This is a 'Reading for Pleasure book'. This book will usually be beyond your child's reading abilities and is a book for you to share with your child. You can read this to your child and explore the story and vocabulary in the text.

Some children may have completed our phonics scheme and be part of our 'comprehension' group. These children will bring home a banded book coloured gold, white or lime. These books contain a range of words and sounds. The children may need support if they come across a new word they have not read before containing infrequent sounds.

If your child is learning to blend sounds to read words, they will bring home a CVC word reading book to help them practice reading one word at a time.



Your child has a specified day to bring their book bag into school, please look at the front of their reading record which will tell you which day to send your child's book bag into school. If your child misses their day don't worry just send their book bag in the day after. However, please do try to send them in each week as they may miss the opportunity to read some of the phonics books at home if they miss any weeks.

Reading Records

Please aim to listen to/read with your child every evening for 15-20 minutes. Please then make a note in their reading record of what book you read that night, perhaps how well they coped with the book and if they enjoyed the book etc.

Any questions do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you

Mrs Craven (KS1 Lead) and the KS1 Team

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